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VIEWS OF BARUCH AND THE "ISLANDERS" ON TREATMENT OF GERMANY: "MATROS", BYRNES, SAMUEL LUBELL, SCHIMMEL (1945)

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[i] [150 groups unrecoverable]

..." [2 groups unrecovered] him on this score,

[11 groups unrecovered]

that "MATROS"[ii] [3 groups unrecovered] with him on the question of treating GERMANY with severity. On the treatment of GERMANY BARUCH[iii] spoke chiefly with BYRNES[iv] and stated that [9 groups unrecovered] treatment of GERMANY.

BARUCH's assistant, Samuel LUBELL[v], informed SCHIMMEL[Schimmel'] [vi] [5 groups unrecovered] BARUCH analysis [1 group unrecovered] in EUROPE. The "ISLANDERS[OSTROVITYANE]" [vii] consider that the reconstruction of EUROPE [7 groups unrecovered] influence of the "ISLAND[OSTROV]" [vii] and they therefore persistently support in EUROPE the idea of creating [3 groups unrecovered] bloc. The "ISLAND"

[14 groups unrecovered]

the "COUNTRY[STRANA]" [viii] and therefore the "ISLAND" now wants to speed up the placing of captured German industry under "ISLAND[OSTROVNOJ]" [vii] control

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and

[20 groups unrecovered]

with German industry even dating from pre-war times. BARUCH assumes that [7 groups unrecovered] GERMANY - either a severe policy towards her, or,

[13 groups unrecovered]

her industry, but seize

[13 groups unrecoverable]

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Footnotes: [i] Addressee, internal serial number and signatory unrecoverable.

[ii] MATROS: ie "SAILOR"; President Harry S TRUMAN.

[iii] BARUCH: Bernard Mannes BARUCH, Chief of the Advisory Unit on War and Post-war Adjustment Policies, Office of War Mobilization, 1943-44. In March-April 1945 President ROOSEVELT sent him to LONDON to discuss German reparations with Winston CHURCHILL.

[iv] BYRNES: James Francis BYRNES, Director of the Office of War Mobilization and of its successor, the Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion, from May 1943 to April 1945; appointed U.S. Secretary of State on 30 June 1945.

[v] Samuel LUBELL: Executive Assistant to BARUCH (Footnote [iif]) in the Advisory Unit on War and Post-war Adjustment Policies, Office of War Mobilization, in 1944.

[vi] SCHIMMEL: Presumably Herbert S SCHIMMEL, Chief of Investigation and Hearings, Senate Sub-Committee on War Mobilization (the KILGORE Committee), 1942-46; the KILGORE Committee visited EUROPE in May-June 1945.

[vii] ISLANDERS, ISLAND: (The) British; GREAT BRITAIN; British (adj).

[viii] COUNTRY: The U.S.A.

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